

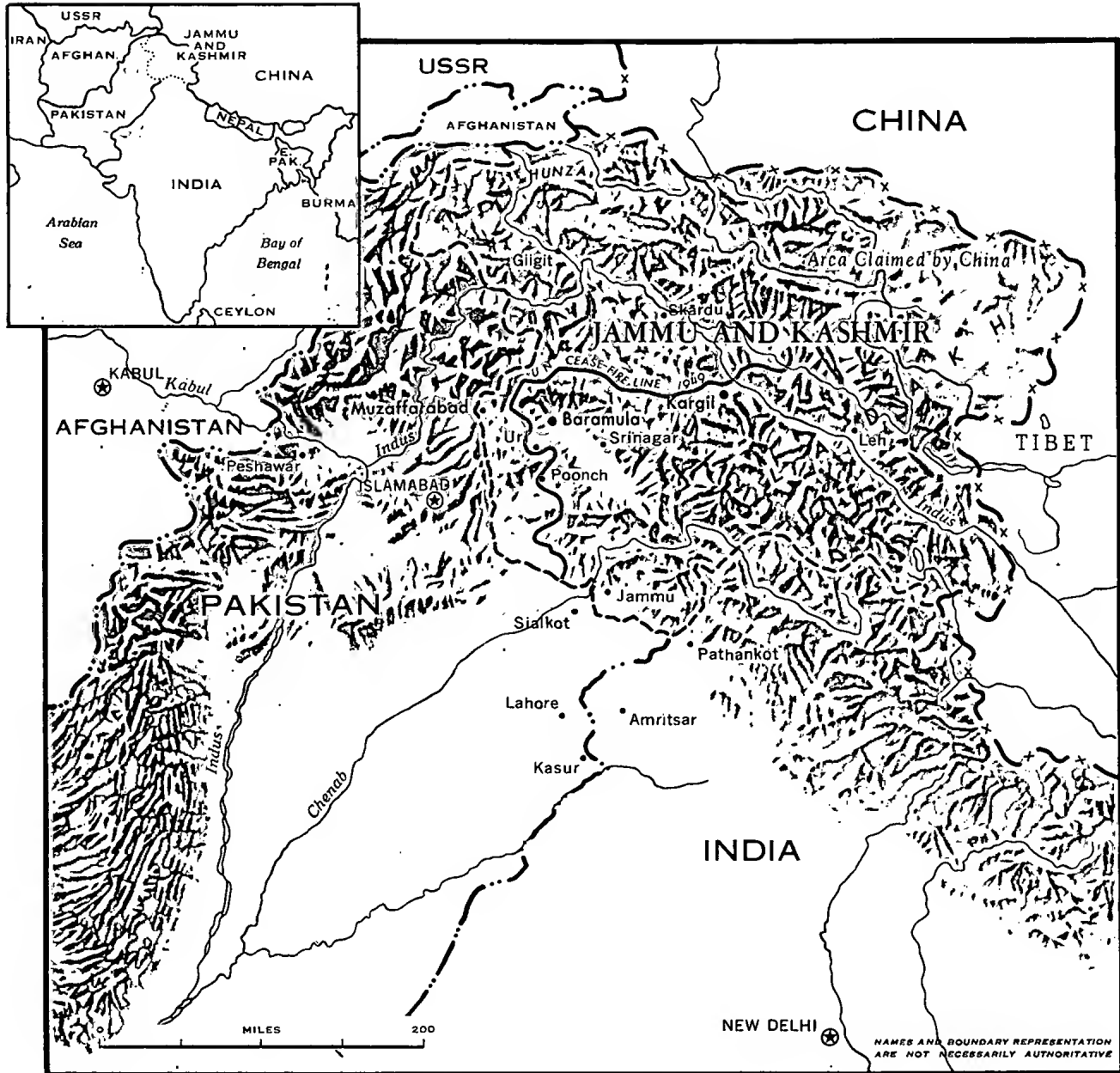
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1. Soviet Union

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2. India - Pakistan

New trouble is building up in a remote but strategic area along the ceasefire line in Kashmir (see map). The Pakistanis refuse to budge from positions

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The Indians, meanwhile, are said to be reinforcing units in the area. They probably do not intend to oust the Pakistanis by force, but a new rise in tensions does seem in prospect.

3. Congo

Mobutu, still shaken by Monday's mob fury in Kinshasa, has given strict orders that there be no more demonstrations--ever. Even if he can make this stick for a while, it is probably too late to prevent an exodus by a good portion of the country's panic-stricken whites.

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4. Ivory Coast

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President Houphouet-Boigny, who arrives in Washington tomorrow, feels that the once-dominant French influence in his country is waning. He is therefore out looking for new friends, starting with the US and Canada. He will seek new and more efficient technical assistance arrangements from both.

Houphouet, who runs what is probably the most popular and stable regime in Africa today, is very concerned about the crumbling political institutions of the states around him. He blames African military leaders, but seems to have no solution.

5. Japan

Officials in the Foreign Ministry have leaked proposals on Okinawa in an effort to stimulate public pressure for forward movement on the issue. The scheme, published in a leading Tokyo newspaper on Saturday, calls for the return to Japan of administrative rights in Okinawa in exchange for a guarantee that the US will have full use of island bases--except for the storage of nuclear weapons.

The leak was not Prime Minister Sato's idea. He would prefer to go more slowly, but the Foreign Ministry hopes to force him to push the plan when he comes to Washington this fall.

6. British Caribbean

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7. Haiti



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